



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 4, 2007

### **H.R. 2284**

**A bill to amend the Small Business Act to expand and improve the assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers to Indian tribe members, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Small Business on May 23, 2007*

#### **SUMMARY**

H.R. 2284 would authorize the appropriation of \$21 million over the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2010 to assist small businesses owned by Indian tribe members, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians. Under the bill, the Small Business Administration would make grants to eligible Small Business Development Centers (SBDC) to assist those groups with start-up and expansion activities. Assuming appropriation of the specified amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2284 would cost \$18 million over the 2008-2012 period. Enacting H.R. 2284 would not affect revenues or direct spending.

H.R. 2284 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would benefit state, local, and tribal governments.

#### **ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

For this estimate CBO assumes that the bill will be enacted prior to the start of fiscal year 2008, that the specified amounts will be appropriated each year, and that spending will follow historical patterns for similar programs. CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$18 million over the 2008-2012 period to award grants to SBDCs to assist small business-owners who are members of Indian tribes, Alaska Natives, or Native Hawaiians.

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	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>					
Authorization Level	7	7	7	0	0
Estimated Outlays	*	3	5	6	4

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NOTE: \* = less than \$500,000.

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## **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT**

H.R. 2284 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA. By authorizing appropriations for grants to existing SBDCs that meet certain requirements, and by waiving requirements that eligible entities provide matching funds, the bill would benefit state, local, and tribal governments.

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